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Title: PROCESS FOR DERIVATIZING CARBON NANOTUBES WITH DIAZONIUM SPECIES AND COMPOSITIONS THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR FILING A DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a Request for Filing a Divisional Application of US 20 Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ (Atty. Dkt. No.: 11321-P022WOUS, National Phase Appl. filed 29 July 2003, of International Appl. No. PCT/US02/02562) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and associated filing fee therefor ("the Request").

AMENDMENTS

25 Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

Amendment to the Title is reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Specification is reflected on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Title:**

Please strike the Title and replace it with the following:

PROCESS FOR ATTACHING MOLECULAR WIRES AND DEVICES TO CARBON NANOTUBES AND  
5 COMPOSITIONS THEREOF